WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK
and
FEDERAL - STATE - PRIVATE COOPERATIVE SNOW SURVEYS
for
MONTANA

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE···SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE,
and
MONTANA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

Data included in this report were obtained by the agencies named above in cooperation with Federal, State, and private organizations listed on the inside back cover of this report.

AS OF
MAY 1, 1966

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

To Recipients of Water Supply Outlook Reports:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season as they affect runoff will add to be an effective average. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1400 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. In the near future, it is anticipated that automatic snow water equivalent sensing devices along with radio telemetry will provide a continuous record of snow water equivalent at key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data on reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

Listed below are water supply outlook reports based on Federal-State-Private Cooperative snow surveys. Those published by the Soil Conservation Service may be obtained from Soil Conservation Service, Room 507, Federal Building, 701 N. W. Glisan, Portland, Oregon 97209.

PUBLISHED BY SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

REPORTS	ISSUED	LOCATION	COOPERATING WITH
RIVER BASINS			
WESTERN UNITED STATES	MONTHLY (FEB.-MAY)	PORTLAND, OREGON	ALL COOPERATORS
BASIC DATA SUMMARY	OCTOBER 1	PORTLAND, OREGON	ALL COOPERATORS
STATES			
ALASKA	MONTHLY (MAR.-MAY)	PALMER, ALASKA	ALASKA S.C.D.
ARIZONA	SEMI-MONTHLY (JAN.15 - APR.1)	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	SALT R. VALLEY WATER USERS ASSOC. ARIZ. AGR. EXP. STATION
COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO	MONTHLY (FEB.-MAY)	FORT COLLINS, COLORADO	COLO. STATE UNIVERSITY COLO. STATE ENGINEER N. MEX. STATE ENGINEER
IDAHO	MONTHLY (JAN.-JUNE)	BOISE, IDAHO	IDAHO STATE RECLAMATION ENGINEER
MONTANA	MONTHLY (JAN.-JUNE)	BOZEMAN, MONTANA	MONT. AGR. EXP. STATION
NEVADA	MONTHLY (JAN.-MAY)	RENO, NEVADA	NEVADA DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES - DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
OREGON	MONTHLY (JAN.-JUNE)	PORTLAND, OREGON	OREG. STATE UNIVERSITY OREGON STATE ENGINEER
UTAH	MONTHLY (JAN.-JUNE)	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	UTAH STATE ENGINEER
WASHINGTON	MONTHLY (FEB.-JUNE)	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	WN. STATE DEPT. OF CONSERVATION
WYOMING	MONTHLY (FEB.-JUNE)	CASPER, WYOMING	WYOMING STATE ENGINEER

PUBLISHED BY OTHER AGENCIES

REPORTS	ISSUED	AGENCY
BRITISH COLUMBIA	MONTHLY (FEB.-JUNE)	WATER RESOURCES SERVICE, DEPT. OF LANDS, FOREST AND WATER RESOURCES, PARLIAMENT BLDG., VICTORIA, B.C., CANADA
CALIFORNIA	MONTHLY (FEB.-MAY)	CALIF. DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES, P.O. BOX 388, SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK
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* Near average streamflow for April and above average mountain precipitation improved the outlook for late season irrigation supplies in some areas. Some melt occurred during April but most high elevation snow courses registered above average increases since April 1.

* Alternating warm and cool periods have ripened the snow pack and reduced the low elevation snow pack, but the warm periods have not been long enough to generate large amounts of snowmelt.

Snow surveys made near the first of May vary from 30 to 70 percent of last year and are generally 65 to 90 percent average.

Headwaters of the Jefferson and Madison have about 65 percent average snow cover. Heavy snows in the Gallatin drainage during April helped to bring the snow pack up to 85 percent average and improve the outlook for late season supplies.

Along the main stem of the Missouri, snow pack is about 70 percent average along the Continental Divide and near average in the Castle, Big and Little Belt mountains on drainages to the east.

Snow pack on the Yellowstone headwaters is about 80 percent average. Near average snow cover exists in the Crazy mountains and the east end of the Beartooth-Absaroka range.

West of the Divide, the Upper Clark Fork and Bitterroot remain about 65 percent average. Drainages downstream from Missoula on the Clark Fork and the Flathead river drainage have snow cover in their headwaters close to 80 percent average.

Streamflow for the next five months is forecast 70 to 90 percent for tributaries to the Missouri and 80 to 95 percent for streams in the upper Yellowstone drainage. The Big Horn river is still expected to produce only about one-half average flow.

Streamflow on tributaries to the Clark Fork above the Blackfoot and the Bitterroot will be 65 to 75 percent average. A little higher percentages are expected downstream on the Clark Fork and Flathead tributaries. The Kootenai and tributaries remain at about 90 percent average.

Shortages of late season irrigation supplies can be expected on small tributaries not having reservoir storage on the upper Missouri, upper Clark Fork and Bitterroot drainages.

Soils at low elevations are drying, while those at median elevations are saturated. High elevation soils are nearing saturation as melt progresses.

Reservoir storage is generally above average and spring runoff should be adequate for most to fill.

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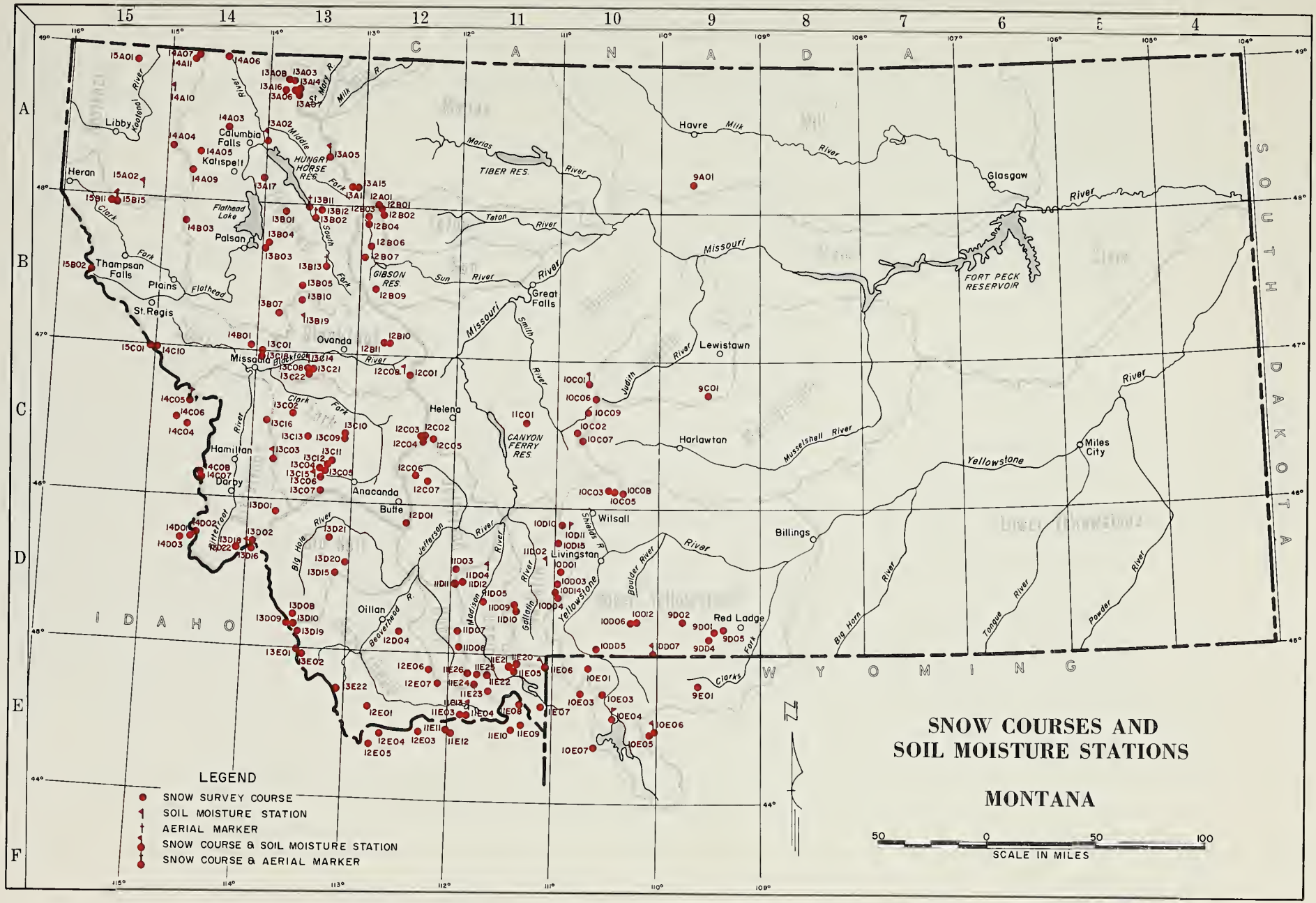

SNOW COURSES AND SOIL MOISTURE STATIONS

MONTANA

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SNOW COURSES

Drainage Basin & Course Name	Number	Elev.	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Record Began	Measuring Dates 1/	Meas. By 2/
COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN								
KOOTENAI RIVER								
Barsa Creek	15B11	55DD	36	26N	31W	1956	3,4,5,5½	2
Barse Trail	15B15	380D	5	25N	30W	1965	3,4,5,5½	2
Brush Creek	14A04	5000	12	30N	26W	1937	3,4,5	1,2
Graves Creek	14A11	430D	1	36N	25W	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	1,2
Red Mountain	15A01	6000	4	36N	29W	1937	3,4,5,5½,6	1,2
Weasel Divide	14A07	545D	20	37N	24W	1937	3,4,5,5½,6	1,2
FLATHEAD RIVER								
Bassoo Peak	14B03	5150	11	24N	25W	1961	3,4,5	1,5
Beaver Lake	13A11	5900	31	28N	11W	1964	3,4,5	1
Big Creek	13B03	6750	7	22N	18W	1941	3,4,5, 6	1,5
Camp Misery	13A17	6400	30	28N	18W	1962	3,4,5	1,2
Desert Mountain	13A02	5600	24	31N	19W	1937	1,2,3,4,5, 6	1,2
Fatty Creek	13B04	550D	8	22N	18W	1962	3,4,5, 6	1,5
Griffin Creek Divide	14A09	5150	11	28N	25W	1960	3,4,5	1,5
Gunsight Lake	13B12	630D	35	26N	14W	1964	3,4,5	1
Hall Roaring Divide	14A03	5770	35	32N	22W	1942	1,2,3,4,5,5½,6	2
Holbrook	13B13	4530	18	21N	13W	1951	1,2,3,4,5	1
Kishanehn	14A06	3890	14	37N	22W	1954	3,4	6
Logan Creek	14A05	4300	34	30N	24W	1937	3,4,5	1,2
Marias Pass	13A05	5250	34	30N	14W	1934	1,2,3,4,5	3
Mineral Creek	13A16	40D0	29	35N	17W	1957	3,4,5	6
North Fork Jocko	13B07	6330	3	17N	17W	1941	3,4,5,5½,6	1,5
Spotted Bear Mountain	13B02	7000	23	25N	15W	1948	1,2,3,4,5	1,2
Trinkus Lake	13B01	6100	9	25N	17W	1948	3,4,5	1
Twin Creeks	13B11	3580	24	26N	16W	1951	1,2,3,4,5	1,2
Upper Nolland Lake	13B05	7000	28	20N	15W	1948	3,4,5	1
CLARK FORK RIVER								
Black Pine	13C13	7100	26	8N	15W	1959	3,4,5,5½,6	1,2
Copper Creek	12B10	5700	1	15N	9W	1962	3,4,5	1,2
Cotter Mine	12B11	625D	2	15N	9W	1962	3,4,5	1,2
Coyote Hill	13B10	4200	12	18N	16W	1947	1,2,3,4,5	1,2
El Dorado Mine	13C09	7800	23	8N	12W	1949	3,4	1
Fred Burr Pass	13C11	8000	12	6N	13W	1957	3,4,5	1
Gold Creek Lake	13C10	72D0	14	8N	12W	1949	3,4	1
Heart Lake Trail	14C10	4800	11	14N	27W	1965	3,4,5	1,2
Noodoo Creek	15C01	590D	16	14N	27W	1937	3,4,5	1,2
Interguard	13C04	6450	6	5N	13W	1936	2,3,4,5	4
Lubrecht Forest No. 3	13C21	5450	19	13N	14W	1951	1,2,3,4,5	8
Lubrecht Forest No. 4	13C22	4650	23	13N	15W	1951	1,2,3,4,5	8
Lubrecht Forest No. 6	13C08	4040	11	13N	15W	1951	1,2,3,4,5	B
Red Lion	13C12	71DD	22	6N	13W	1958	3,4,5	1
Skalkaho Summit	13C03	7260	30	6N	17W	1937	3,4,5,5½,6	1
Slide Rock Mountain	13C02	7100	35	10N	16W	1937	3,4,5	1
Southern Cross	13C05	650D	B	5N	13W	1936	2,3,4	4
Spring Gulch	13C1B	6000	12	14N	19W	1961	1,2,3,4,5	B
Storm Lake	13C07	7780	19	4N	13W	1939	1,2,3,4,5	1
Stuart Mill	13C06	650D	19	5N	13W	1936	2,3,4	4
Stuart Mountain	13C01	7400	6	14N	18W	1936	1,2,3,4,5,5½,6	B
TV Mountain	14B01	6800	33	15N	19W	1956	1,2,3,4,5,5½,6	B
BITTERROOT RIVER								
Ambrose	13C16	6480	28	9N	18W	1960	3,4,5	1
East Fork R. S.	13C01	5400	16	2N	17W	1937	3,4	1
Gibbons Pass	13C02	71D0	4	2S	19W	1934	1,2,3,4,5,5½,6	1,3
Lost Horse	14C07	5940	5	4N	23W	1960	3,4,5,5½,6	1
Nez Perce Camp	14D02	5680	19	1S	23W	1937	3,4,5	1
Nez Perce Pass	14D01	6570	25	1S	24W	1937	3,4,5	1
Saddle Mountain	13D22	7940	5	2S	19W	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	1
Twin Lakes	14C0B	6510	32	5N	23W	1960	3,4,5,5½,6	1
ST. MARY RIVER BASIN								
Iceberg Lake No. 3	13A03	5600	1	35N	17W	1922	5	3,9
Josephine Lower No. 9	13A14	4900	22	35N	16W	1955	5	3,9
Mount Allen No. 7	13A07	5700	27	35N	16W	1922	5	3,9
Pagan Pass No. 6	13A06	5500	27	35N	16W	1922	5	3,9
Ptarmigen No. B	13A0B	5800	36	36N	17W	1937	5	3,9
MISSOURI RIVER BASIN								
BEAVERHEAD RIVER								
Bloody Dick	13D10	7600	12	8S	16W	1948	3,4,5	1
Carter Creek	12C04	7400	22	8S	7W	1963	2,3,4	1
Dad Creek Lake	13E22	8400	24	12S	13W	1965	3,4,5	1
Elkhorn Springs	13D15	7800	21	4S	12W	1935	3,4,5	3
Gold Stone	13D09	B1D0	11	8S	16W	1948	3,4,5	1
Lakeview Canyon	11E04	6930	26	14S	2W	194B	3,4,5	10
Lakeview Ridge	11E03	7400	27	14S	2W	1948	3,4,5	10
Lemhi Pass	13E01	7480	9	10S	15W	1948	3,4	1
Trail Creek	13E02	7090	15	10S	15W	194B	3,4	1
White Pine Ridge	12E01	BB50	1B	14S	9W	194B	3,4,5	1

Drainage Basin & Course Name	Number	Elev.	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Record Began	Measuring Dates 1/	Meas. By 2/
MISSOURI RIVER BASIN (continued)								
RUBY RIVER								
Clover Meadow	11D0B	860D	28	9S	2W	1963	3,4,5	1
Divide	12E07	7900	14	12S	4W	1963	3,4,5	1
Notch	12E06	B500	18	11S	4W	1963	3,4,5	1
BIG HOLE RIVER								
Abundance Lake	13D20	B800	7	3S	11W	1963	3,4,5	1
Darkhorse Lake	13D19	8600	4	8S	16W	1963	3,4,5	1
Foolhen	13D21	B28D	11	1S	13W	1963	3,4,5	1
Jahnke Creek	13D0B	7340	25	7S	16W	194B	3,4,5	1
JEFFERSON RIVER								
Berry Meadow	12C07	730D	B	5N	5W	1962	3,4,5	1
Picnic Grounds	12CD6	6500	10	5N	6W	1941	2,3,4	4
Pipestone Pass	12D01	7200	1D	1N	7W	193B	1,2,3,4,5	1
MADISON RIVER								
Call Road	11D07	8050	21	8S	2W	1962	3,4,5	1
Four Mile	11D12	6900	6	4S	2W	1965	3,4,5	1
Freezeout Lake	11E25	7200	6	12S	1E	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	2
Freezeout Mountain	11E26	B250	26	11S	1W	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	2
Nabgen Dam	11E05	6550	22	11S	3E	1934	1,2,3,4,5	3
Jack Creek	11D05	7500	13	6S	1E	1961	3,4	1
Lake Creek	11E22	6100	27	11S	1E	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	2
Lower Twin	11D11	790D	12	4S	3W	1965	3,4,5	1
Meridian Creek	11E23	7000	31	12S	1E	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	2
North Meadow	11D03	750D	24	3S	3W	1961	3,4,5	1
Potomagaton Park	11E21	7350	33	10S	3E	1965	3,4,5	2
Sentinel Creek	11E20	B300	17	10S	3E	1965	3,4,5	2
Taepea Creek	11E24	B000	15	12S	1W	1965	3,4,5,5½,6	2
West Yellowstone	11E07	670D	34	13S	5E	1934	1,2,3,4,5	3
GALLATIN RIVER								
Arch Falls	10D14	7350	3	5S	6E	1963	2,3,4,5,5½,6	1
Bear Basin	11D09	B150	9	6S	3E	1963	3,4,5	1
Bridger Bowl	10D15	7250	25	1N	6E	1965	1,2,3,4,5½,6	1
Devil's Slide	10004	8100	14	5S	6E	1935	2,3,4,5,5½,6	1
Nood Meadow	10003	6600	22	4S	6E	1935	2,3,4,5,5½,6	1
Little Park	11D10	7400	22	6S	3E	1963	3,4,5	1
New World	10D01	6700	24	3S	6E	1939	2,3,4	1
Twenty-One Mile	11E06	7150	1	11S	5E	1934	1,2,3,4,5	3
MISSOURI RIVER MAIN STEM								
Boulder Mountain	11C01	7950	1	9N	3E	1963	3,4,5	1
Chessman Reservoir	12C05	6200	2	8N	5W	1936	1,2,3,4,5	3
Deadman Creek	10C09	6450	23	12N	8E	1966	3,4,5,5½,6	1
Elk Peak	10C07	8000	10	8N	8E	1963	3,4,5	1
Grasshopper	10C02	7000	19	9N	8E	193B	3,4,5	1
Kings Hill	10C01	7500	34	13N	8E	1934	3,4,5,5½,6	1,3
Rocky Boy	9A01	5200	15	2BN	16E	1941	3,4	7
Stemple Pass	12C01	6600	16	13N	7W	1934	3,4,5	3
Ten Mile Lower	12C02	6600	12	8N	6W	1935	1,2,3,4,5	3
Ten Mile Middle	12C03	6800	13	8N	6W	1934	1,2,3,4,5	3
Ten Mile Upper	12C04	8000	19	8N	5W	1935	1,2,3,4,5	3
SUN-TETON-MARIAS RIVERS								
Badger Pass	13A15	6900	4	27N	11W	1964	3,4,5	1
Cabin Creek	12B06	5200	33	23N	10W	1949	3,4,5	1
Five-Bull	12B09	5700	25	20N	10W	1948	3,4,5	1
Freight Creek	12A01	6000	13	26N	10W	1948	3,4,5	1
Goat Mountain	12B07	700D	20	22N	10W	1934	3,4,5	3
Waldron Creek	12B02	5300	16	25N	9W	194B	3,4,5	1
West Fork	12B01	6000	6	25N	9W	1948	3,4,5	1
Wrong Creek	12B04	5700	32	25N	10W	1949	3,4,5	1
Wrong Ridge	12B03	6B00	17	25N	10W	1949	3,4,5	1
JUDITH RIVER								
Crystal Lake	9C01	6100	19	12N	18E	1941	3,4	1
Spur Park	10C06	B0D0	20	12N	9E	1963	3,4,5,5½,6	1
UPPER YELLOWSTONE RIVER								
Bald Ridge	10C05	7500	11	4N	10E	1961	3,4,5	1
Camp Senia	9D01	7B90	2	8S	18E	1937	3,4,5,5½,6	1
Crevice Mountain	10D05	B4DD	22	9S	9E	1935	3,4	2
Grizzly Peak	9005	B40D	26	7S	19E	1961	1,2,3,4,5	1
Independence	10D06	8000	22	7S	12E	1940	3,4,5	1
Monument Peak	10D12	900D	22	7S	12E	1961	3,4,5	1
Northeast Entrence	10D07	7400	33	9S	14E	1937	1,2,3,4,5	6
Porcupine R. S.	10C03	6500	10	4N	10E	193B	3,4,5	1
Sacajewea	10D10	6550	36	2N	6E	1960	3,4,5	1
South Fork Shields	10C0B	B100	13	4N	10E	1965	3,4,5	1
Timberline Creek	9004	BB50	10	8S	18E	1961	3,4,5	1
West Rosebud	9002	7500	9	7S	16E	1960	3,4	4

SOIL MOISTURE STATIONS

Drainage Basin & Course Name	Number	Elev.	Sec.	Twp.	Range	Record Began	Measuring Dates 1/	Meas. By 2/
COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN								
KOOTENAI RIVER								
Baree Trail	15B15M	3800	5	25N	30W	1964	Monthly	2
Murphy Lake R. S.	14A10M	3000	5	34N	25W	1964	Monthly	2
Raven R. S.	15A02M	305D	2	26N	29W	1964	Monthly	2
FLATHEAD RIVER								
Desert Mountain	13A02M	560D	24	31N	19W	1956	Monthly	1
Marias Pass	13AD5M	5250	34	30N	14W	1950	Monthly	1
CLARK FORK RIVER								
Georgetown Lake	13C15M	6450	6	5N	13W	1962	Monthly	1
Lubrecht Forest	13C14M	4100	11	13N	15W	1961	Monthly	8
Saeley Lake	13B19M	4030	21	17N	15W	1963	Monthly	2
Skalkaho Summit	13C03M	7260	30	6N	17W	1964	Monthly	1
BITTERROOT RIVER								
Gibbons Pass	13D18M	7100	4	2S	19W	1962	Monthly	1
Lolo Pass	14C05M	5250	11	10N	24W	1963	Monthly	1
MISSOURI RIVER BASIN								
BEAVERHEAD RIVER								
Lakeview	11E13M	6700	23	14S	2W	1962	Monthly	10
MADISON RIVER								
Red Bluff	11D04M	4800	7	3S	1E	1961	Monthly	7
GALLATIN RIVER								
Bridger Bowl	10D15M	7250	25	1N	6E	1965	Monthly	1
College Site	11DD2M	4856	1B	2S	5E	1956	Monthly	1
Twenty-One Mile	11E06M	7150	1	11S	5E	1963	Monthly	6
MISSOURI RIVER MAIN STEM								
Kings Hill	10C01M	7420	34	13N	8E	1963	Monthly	1
Stemple Pass	12C08M	6350	16	13N	7W	1963	Monthly	1
YELLOWSTONE RIVER								
Battle Ridge	10D11M	6020	32	2N	7E	1960	Monthly	1
Northeast Entrance	10D07M	7350	33	9S	14E	1962	Monthly	6

LEGEND

1/ Numerals 1,2,3,4,5,5½,6 refar to January 1, February 1, March 1, April 1, May 1, May 15 and June 1.

2/ Numerals refer to Agency that secures the snow survey as follows:

1. U. S. Soil Conservation Service
2. U. S. Forest Service
3. U. S. Geological Survay
4. Montana Power Company
5. U. S. Indian Service
6. U. S. National Park Service
7. MSU Agricultural Experiment Station
8. U. of M. School of Forestry
9. Dominion Water & Power Bureau
10. U. S. Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife

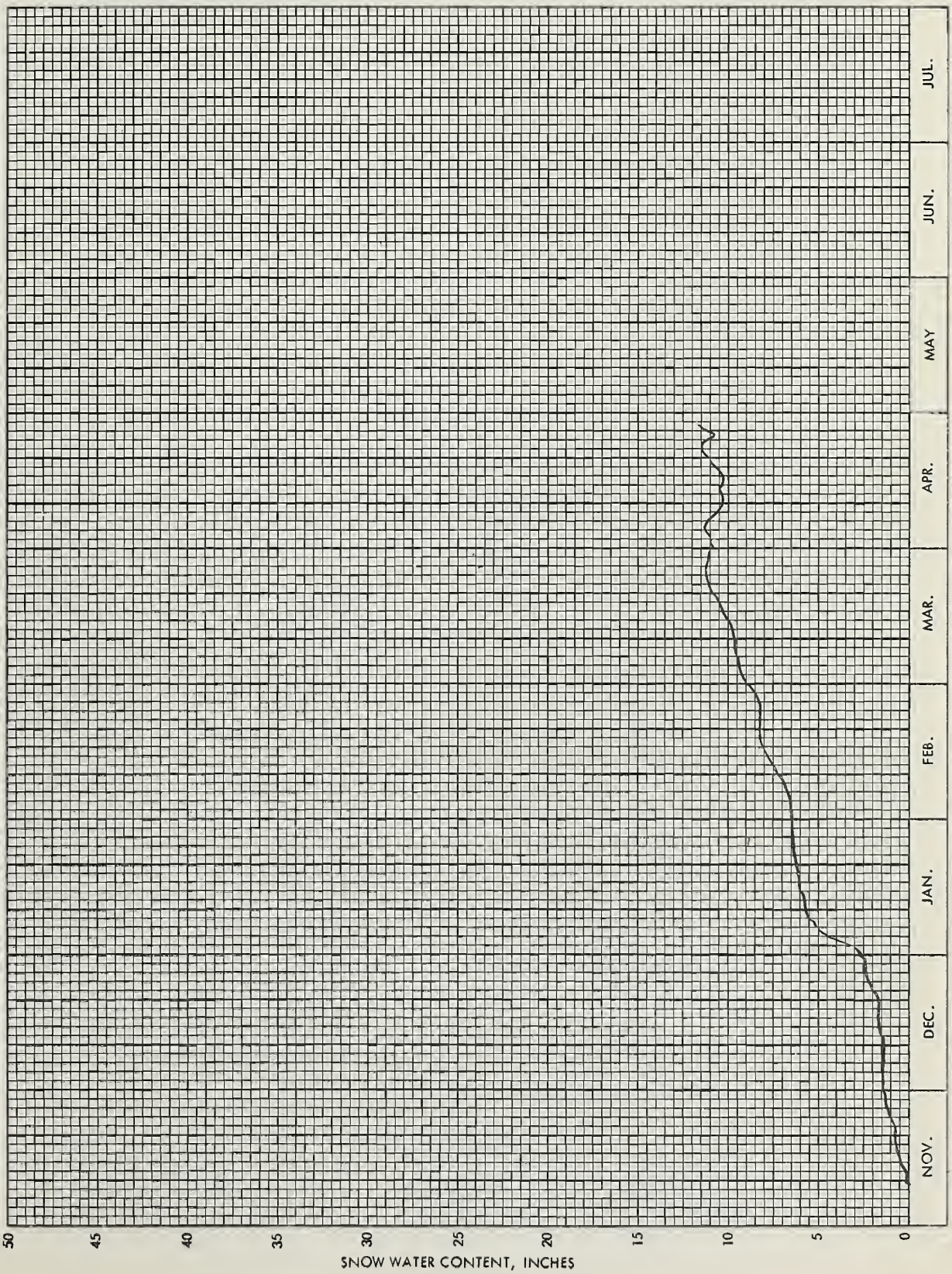
M - Soil Moisture

BLACK PINE
SNOW PILLOW DATA

AS OF May 1, 1966

Sec. 26 T. 8N R. 15W No. 13C13 Drainage: Columbia

Lat. 46-25 Long. 113-26 Elev. 7100 Clark Fork

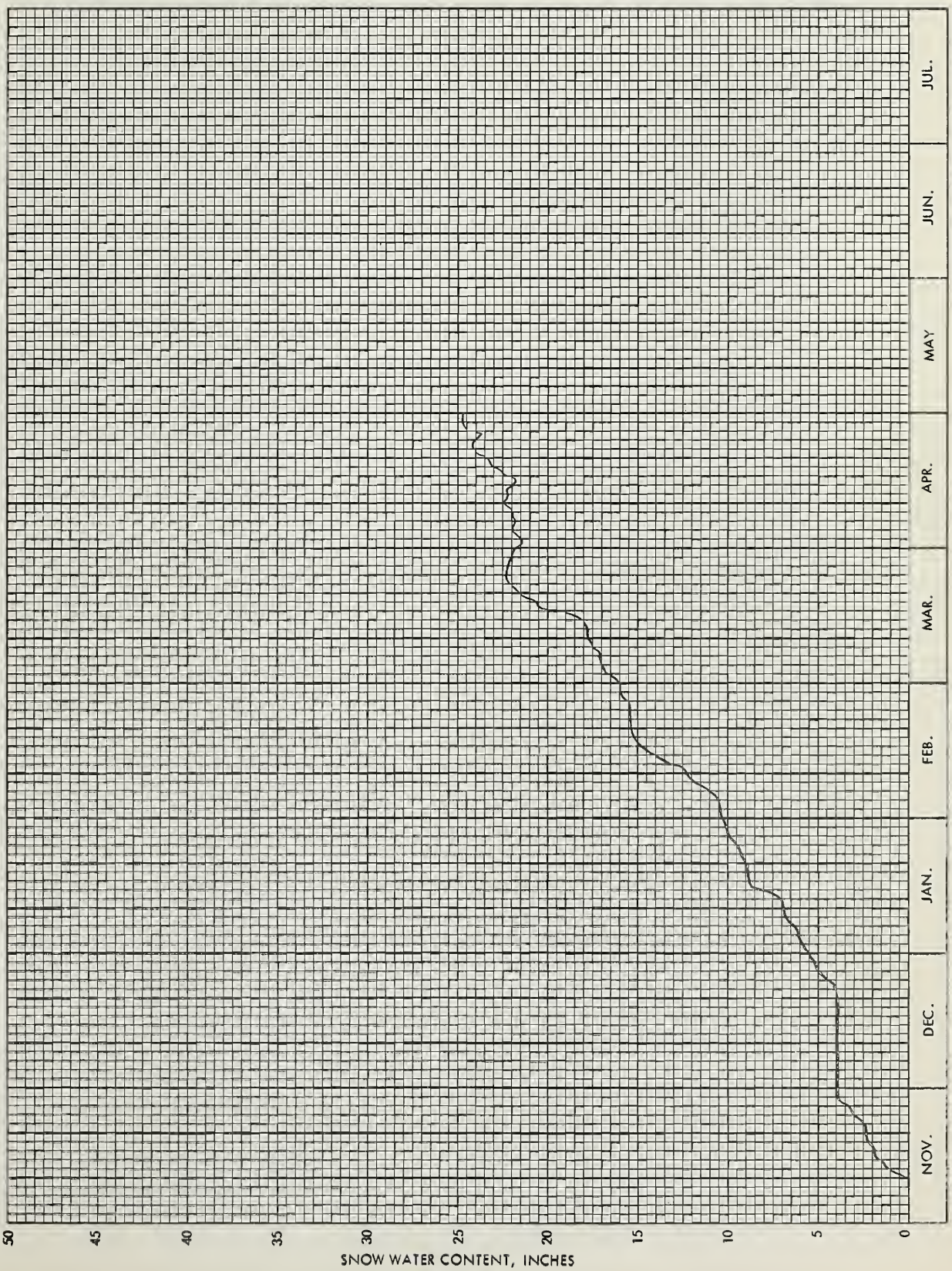


BRIDGER BOWL
SNOW PILLOW DATA

AS OF May 1, 1966

Sec. 25 T. 1N R. 6E No. 10D15 Drainage: Missouri

Lat. 45-48 Lang. 110-55 Elev. 7250 Gallatin



LICK CREEK
SNOW PILLOW DATA

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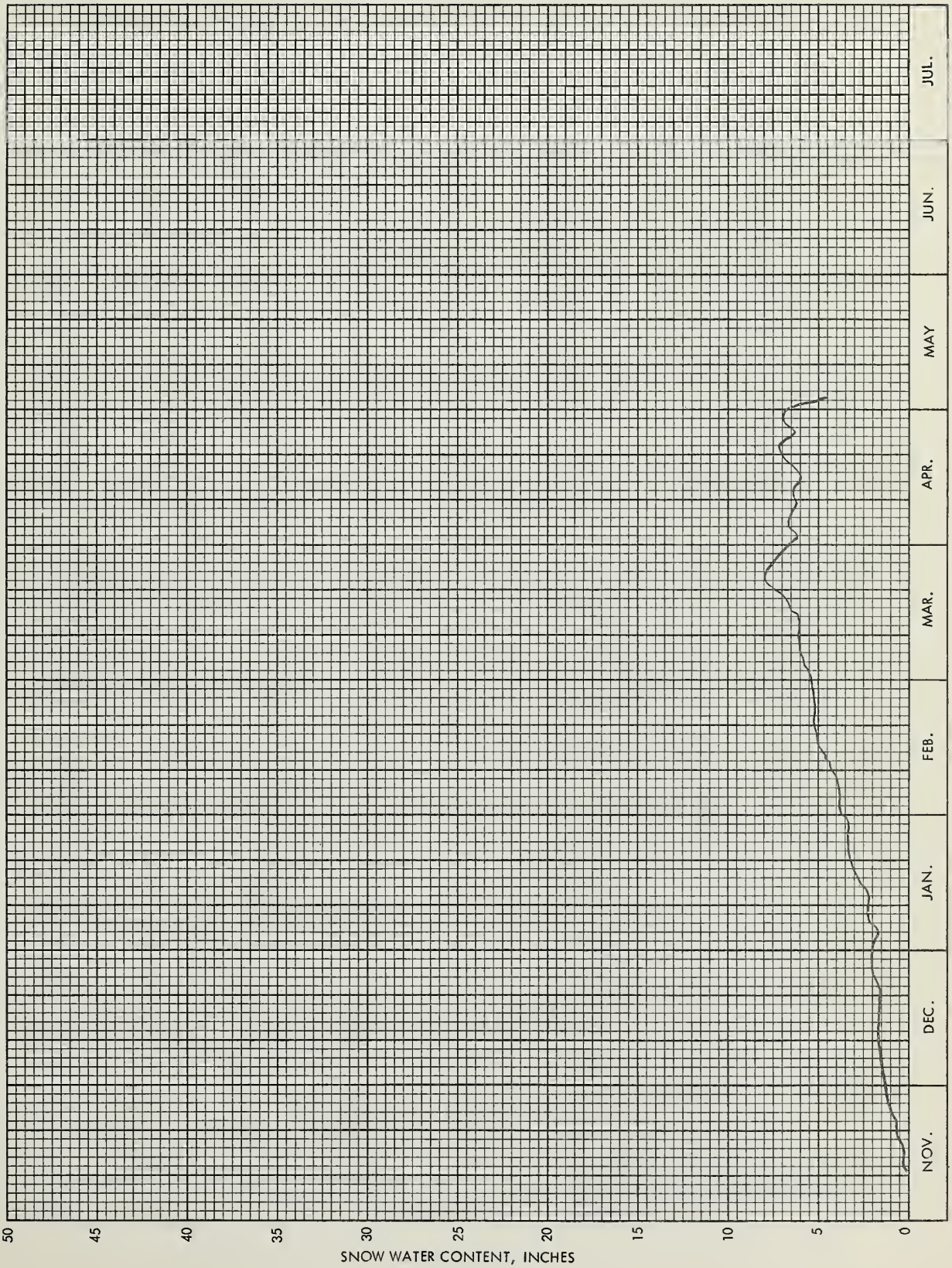

SHOWER FALLS
SNOW PILLOW DATA

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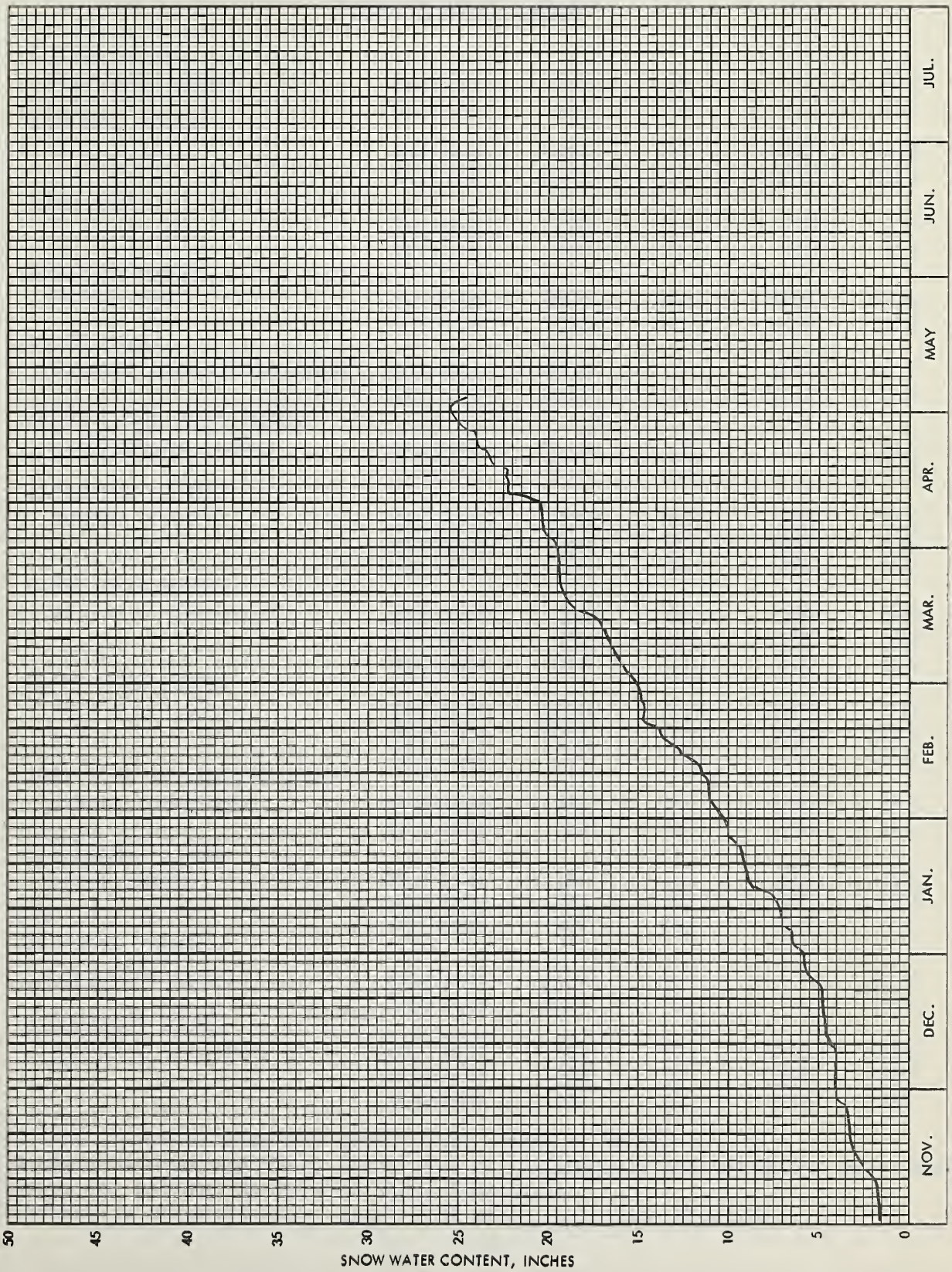

WATER SUPPLY FORECASTS

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NO.	RIVER AND FORECAST POINT	FORECAST PERIOD	FORECAST THIS YEAR	PERCENT AVERAGE	MEASURED FLOW LAST YEAR*	MEASURED FLOW AVERAGE
	COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN					
	FISHER RIVER					
3020	Jennings (near)	May-Sept	210	94		223
		May-July	194	94		206
	KOOTENAI RIVER					
3030	Libby (at)	May-Sept	7520	101	7284	7428
		May-July	6400	101	6138	6342
	YAAK RIVER					
3045	Troy (near)	May-Sept	410	94	448	435
		May-July	390	94	419	413
	KOOTENAI RIVER					
3050	Leonia (at)	May-Sept	8500	101	8094	8416
		May-July	7350	101	6900	7268
	FLINT CREEK					
3301	Boulder Creek (below)(3)	May-Sept	46.0	72	95.8	64.1
		May-July	36.0	72	73.2	50.2
	MIDDLE FORK ROCK CREEK					
3320	Philipsburg (near)	May-Sept	54.0	73		73.6
		May-July	48.6	73		66.3
	BLACKFOOT RIVER					
3400	Bonner (near)	May-Sept	730	80	1181	914
		May-July	650	80	1046	816
		May-June	550	80	881	690
	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3404	Milltown (above)(4)	May-Sept	450	65	969	686
		May-July	382	65	797	589
		May-June	318	65	650	490
	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3405	Missoula (above)	May-Sept	1180	73	2150	1600
		May-July	1032	73	1843	1405
		May-June	868	73	1531	1180
	WEST FORK BITTERROOT RIVER					
3425	Conner (near)(5)	May-Sept	121	77	195	157
		May-July	112	77	176	146
	BITTERROOT RIVER					
3440	Darby (near)	May-Sept	385	74	647	518
		May-July	355	74	584	478
		May-June	307	74	501	414
	BLODGETT CREEK					
3475	Corvallis (near)	May-Sept	32.5	81		39.9
		May-July	30.7	81		37.9
	BITTERROOT RIVER					
3528	Missoula (at)(6)	May-Sept	980	71	1724	1384
		May-July	900	71	1496	1277
		May-June	770	71	1246	1084

(3) Sum, Flint Creek at Maxville and Boulder Creek at Maxville.
(4) Difference in observed flow, Clark Fork above Missoula and Blackfoot near Bonner.
(5) Adjusted for storage in Painted Rocks Reservoir.
(6) Difference in observed flow, Clark Fork above and below Missoula.

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	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3530	Missoula (below)	May-Sept	2160	72	3874	2984
		May-July	1932	72	3339	2681
		May-June	1638	72	2777	2263
	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3545	St. Regis (at)	May-Sept	3000	74	5104	4036
		May-July	2700	74	4426	3624
		May-June	2280	74	3708	3066
	NORTH FORK FLATHEAD RIVER					
3555	Columbia Falls (near)	May-Sept	1650	90	2017	1833
		May-July	1480	90	1804	1650
		May-June	1230	90	1496	1371
	MIDDLE FORK FLATHEAD RIVER					
3585	West Glacier (near)	May-Sept	1510	87	1933	1736
		May-July	1380	87	1744	1598
		May-June	1160	87	1446	1334
	SOUTH FORK FLATHEAD RIVER					
3625	Columbia Falls (near)(7)	May-Sept	1840	87	2456	2103
		May-July	1730	87	2215	1985
		May-June	1490	87	1895	1710
	FLATHEAD RIVER					
3630	Columbia Falls (at)(7)	May-Sept	5100	88	6586	5820
		May-July	4730	88	5898	5351
		May-June	3960	88	4922	4507
	SWAN RIVER					
3700	Big Fork (near)	May-Sept	480	80	708	599
		May-July	418	80	584	520
		May-June	328	80	459	408
	FLATHEAD RIVER					
3720	Polson (near)(8)	May-Sept	6000	87	8067	6914
		May-July	5550	87	7183	6365
		May-June	4650	87	5993	5324
	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3890	Plains (near)(8)	May-Sept	9200	82	13546	11286
		May-July	8400	82	11885	10230
		May-June	7000	82	9932	8570
	THOMPSON RIVER					
3895	Thompson Falls (near)	May-Sept	200	80	242	249
		May-July	177	80	209	220
	PROSPECT CREEK					
3907	Thompson Falls (at)	May-Sept	95.0	75	113	127
		May-July	87.6	75	103	117
	CLARK FORK RIVER					
3920	Whitehorse Rapids (at)(9)	May-Sept	10350	82	14845	12580
		May-July	9350	82	12951	11369
		May-June	7800	82	10775	9499

(7) Adjusted for storage in Hungry Horse Reservoir.
(8) Adjusted for storage in Hungry Horse Reservoir and Flathead Lake.
(9) Adjusted for storage in Hungry Horse, Flathead Lake and Noxon Rapids Reservoirs.

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	MISSOURI RIVER BASIN					
	RED ROCK RIVER					
0110	Kennedy Ranch (at)	May-Sept	45.8	92	73.8	49.8
		May-July	40.7	92	61.6	44.3
	RED ROCK RIVER					
0125	Monida (near)(11)	May-Sept	49.0	89	97.8	54.9
		May-July	45.0	89	87.0	50.2
	BIG HOLE RIVER					
0255	Melrose (near)	May-Sept	500	80	1046	625
		May-July	460	80	934	576
	BOULDER RIVER					
0330	Boulder (near)	May-Sept	53.3	80	127	66.4
		May-July	50.7	80	115	63.2
	JEFFERSON RIVER					
0345	Sappington (at)(12)	May-Sept	632	77	1516	824
		May-July	556	77	1285	725
	MADISON RIVER					
0375	West Yellowstone (near)	May-Sept	169	94	239	179
		May-July	121	94	173	129
	MADISON RIVER					
0385	Grayling (near)(13)	May-Sept	335	92	520	364
		May-July	252	92	400	274
	MADISON RIVER					
0410	McAllister (near)(14)	May-Sept	544	87	914	623
		May-July	420	87	717	481
	GALLATIN RIVER					
0435	Gateway (near)	May-Sept	340	81	620	418
		May-July	287	81	523	353
	BRIDGER CREEK					
0485	Bozeman (near)	May-Sept	14.5	88	25.2	16.5
		May-July	13.4	88	22.8	15.3
	HYALITE CREEK					
0500	Bozeman (near)(15)	May-Sept	30.0	92	50.9	32.6
		May-July	25.6	92	43.4	27.8
	GALLATIN RIVER					
0525	Logan (at)	May-Sept	285	71	672	400
		May-July	235	71	552	330

(11) Adjusted for storage in Lima Reservoir.
(12) Adjusted for storage in Clark Canyon Reservoir.
(13) Adjusted for storage in Hebgen Lake.
(14) Adjusted for storage in Hebgen and Ennis Lakes.
(15) Adjusted for storage in Middle Creek Reservoir.

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					LAST YEAR*	AVERAGE
	MISSOURI RIVER					
0545	Toston (at)(16)	May-Sept	1350	74	3015	1816
		May-July	1140	74	2494	1530
	PRICKLY PEAR CREEK					
0615	Clancy (near)	May-Sept	15.6	82	32.3	19.0
		May-July	13.3	82	25.1	16.2
	SHEEP CREEK					
0770	White Sul. Spgs. (near)	May-Sept	13.0	84	31.0	15.4
		May-July	11.1	84	26.4	13.2
	SUN RIVER					
0786	Gibson Dam (at)(17)	May-Sept	505	88	676	573
		May-July	460	88	606	522
	MISSOURI RIVER					
0908	Fort Benton (at)(18)	May-Sept	2100	73	4717	2861
		May-July	1730	73	3861	2367
	TWO MEDICINE CREEK					
0920	Browning (near)(19)	May-Sept	205	85		241
		May-July	194	85		229
	BADGER CREEK					
0925	Browning (near)	May-Sept	113	86		132
		May-July	96	86		112
	CUT BANK CREEK					
0990	Cut Bank (at)	May-Sept	90.0	74	124	121
		May-July	81.0	74	109	109
	MARIAS RIVER					
0995	Shelby (near)(20)	May-Sept	480	85	629	564
		May-July	448	85	584	530
	MISSOURI RIVER					
1095	Virgelle (at)(21)	May-Sept	2640	74	5489	3557
		May-July	2220	74	4547	2999
	JUDITH RIVER					
1100	Utica (near)	May-Sept	28.0	86	71.3	32.7
		May-July	25.9	86	65.6	30.2
	MISSOURI RIVER					
1150	Zortman (near)(21)	May-Sept	2900	75	6060	3885
		May-July	2430	75	5018	3254
	NORTH FORK MUSSELSHELL R.					
1155	Delpine (near)	May-Sept	3.8	76	8.2	5.0
		May-July	3.0	75	6.5	4.0
	SOUTH FORK MUSSELSHELL R.					
1185	Martinsdale (above)	May-Sept	35.0	82	64.6	42.8
		May-July	34.0	82	55.6	40.7

(16) Adjusted for storage in Hebgen and Ennis Lakes and Clark Canyon Reservoir.
(17) Adjusted for storage in Gibson Reservoir and diversions.
(18) Adjusted for storage in Canyon Ferry Reservoir.
(19) Adjusted for storage in Two Medicine Res. & diversions into Two Medicine Canal.
(20) Adjusted for storage in Two Medicine, Four Horns, Lake Frances & Swift Res.
(21) Adjusted for storage in Canyon Ferry and Tiber Reservoirs.

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					LAST YEAR*	AVERAGE
	MISSOURI RIVER					
1320	Ft. Peck Dam (below)(22)	May-Sept	2600	70	5197	3728
		May-July	2240	70	6147	3200
	MILK RIVER					
1350	Eastern Crossing (at)	May-Sept	185	90	231	206
	MISSOURI RIVER					
1770	Wolf Point (near)(22)	May-Sept	2720	69	6735	3942
		May-July	2330	69	5758	3380
	MISSOURI RIVER					
3300	Williston, N.D.(nr)(29)	May-Sept	6230	67	16400	9299
		May-July	5430	67	13850	8068
	<u>SASKATCHEWAN RIVER BASIN</u>					
	ST. MARY RIVER					
0175	Babb (near)(30)	May-Sept	435	93		469
		May-July	373	93		401

(22) Adjusted for storage in Canyon Ferry, Tiber and Fort Peck Reservoirs.
(29) Adjusted for storage in Canyon Ferry, Tiber, Fort Peck, Buffalo Bill, Boysen and Yellowtail Reservoirs.
(30) Adjusted for storage in Lake Sherburne.

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	YELLOWSTONE RIVER BASIN					
	YELLOWSTONE RIVER					
1915	Corwin Springs (at)	May-Sept	1700	95	2474	1792
		May-July	1410	95	1998	1487
	YELLOWSTONE RIVER					
1925	Livingston (near)	May-Sept	1810	90	2865	2019
		May-July	1490	90	2326	1662
	SHIELDS RIVER					
1935	Clyde Park (at)	May-Sept	74.0	90	132	82.1
		May-July	68.0	90	116	75.3
	BOULDER RIVER					
2000	Big Timber (at)	May-Sept	256	78	472	330
		May-July	240	78	415	309
	STILLWATER RIVER					
2050	Absarokee (near)(25)	May-Sept	425	80	642	531
		May-July	356	80	513	444
	CLARKS FORK RIVER					
2075	Chance (at)	May-Sept	480	86	736	560
		May-July	432	86	641	504
	CLARKS FORK RIVER					
2085	Edgar (at)	May-Sept	500	86	774	578
		May-July	435	86	649	507
	ROCK CREEK					
2095	Red Lodge (near)	May-Sept	81.0	80	138	101
		May-July	62.0	80	105	77.2
	YELLOWSTONE RIVER					
2145	Billings (at)	May-Sept	3000	82	5266	3675
		May-July	2550	82	4277	3124
	BIG HORN RIVER					
2870	St. Xavier (near)(26)	May-Sept	780	51	2923	1532
		May-July	725	51	2519	1422
	YELLOWSTONE RIVER					
3090	Miles City (at)(27)	May-Sept	3700	70	8308	5307
		May-July	3220	70	6876	4609
	YELLOWSTONE RIVER					
3295	Sidney (near)(27)	May-Sept	3400	65	9280	5245
		May-July	3000	65	7779	4625

(25) Adjusted for storage in Mystic Lake.
(26) Adjusted for storage in Buffalo Bill, Boysen, Bull Lake and Yellowtail Reservoirs.
(27) Adjusted for storage in Buffalo Bill, Boysen and Yellowtail Reservoirs.

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NO.	NAME	ELEVATION				LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
	COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN						
KOOTENAI RIVER							
15B11	Baree Creek	5500	5/2	77	39.4	46.2	49.1
15B16	Baree Midway	4600	5/2	52	24.8	-	-
15B15	Baree Trail	3800	5/2	0	0.0	0.0	-
14A04	Brush Creek	5000	4/27	19	7.2	10.2	10.7*
BC 10	Fernie	3500	4/29	1	0.3	3.2	2.8
BC 12A	Field	4200	4/28	0	0.0	0.0	0.6*
BC 11	Glacier	4100	4/27	72	31.6	22.6	25.9
14A11	Graves Creek	4300	4/28	31	12.8	16.9	-
BC 43	Gray Creek	5100	4/30	56	21.7	21.9	20.2
BC 33	Kicking Horse	5400	4/29	38	14.0	14.6	12.2
BC 20B	Kimberley	3800	5/1	0	0.0	0.0	1.2*
BC 32	Marble Canyon	5000	4/30	22	8.2	11.2	13.4
BC 10B	Morrissey Ridge	6100				28.8	-
BC 10A	New Fernie	4100				9.3	6.0*
15A01	Red Mountain	6000	4/29	47	19.6	21.9	20.9
BC 8A	Sinclair Pass	4500	4/30	7	1.6	0.0	2.2*
BC 20A	Sullivan Mine	5100	4/29	34	13.0	11.0	12.5
BC 41	Upper Elk River	4400	4/29	0	0.0	3.0	2.5*
14A07	Weasel Divide	5450	4/28	65	29.6	38.2	35.7*
FLATHEAD RIVER							
14B03	Bassoo Peak	5150	4/25	17	7.8	7.4	9.7*
13A11	Beaver Lake	5900	5/2	44	20.2	31.8	-
13B03	Big Creek	6750	4/27	91	39.6	59.8	50.5*
13A17	Camp Misery	6400	4/26	93	41.0	65.8	52.0*
13A02	Desert Mountain	5600	4/26	23	10.3	20.6	14.6
13B04	Fatty Creek	5500	4/27	45	19.0	26.1	22.5*
14A09	Griffin Creek Divide	5150	4/26	10	3.8	7.5	9.8*
13B12	Gunsight Lake	6300	4/29	85	41.6	50.8	-
14A03	Hell Roaring Divide	5770	4/28	58	29.4	37.5	31.5
13B13	Holbrook	4530	4/29	0	0.0	0.0	1.4*
14A05	Logan Creek	4300	4/27	0	0.0	1.6	3.4*
13A05	Marias Pass	5250	4/26	31	14.0	28.0	18.0
13A16	Mineral Creek	4000	4/30	24	9.4	17.5	-
13B07	North Fork Jocko	6330	4/28	79	36.2	55.0	48.0*
13B02	Spotted Bear Mountain	7000	4/29	19	9.2	14.6	12.4*
13B01	Trinkus Lake	6100	4/29	84	41.4	54.4	45.4*
13B11	Twin Creeks	3580	4/29	0	0.0	0.0	1.4*
13B05	Upper Holland Lake	7000	4/29	71	34.8	45.5	39.0*

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CLARK FORK RIVER							
13C13	Black Pine	7100	4/27	33	10.8	20.2	11.8*
13C13	Black Pine Pillow	7100	4/27	SP	11.8	-	-
12B10	Copper Creek	5700	4/25	11	4.8	15.6	-
12B11	Cotter Mine	6250	4/25	28	11.8	22.8	-
13B10	Coyote Hill	4200	4/28	1	0.4	5.0	2.3
13C11	Fred Burr Pass	8000	4/28	59	20.9	41.3	32.5*
14C10	Heart Lake Trail	4800	4/26	35	14.0	16.6	-
15C01	Hoodoo Creek	5900	4/26	88	41.2	56.6	50.2*
13C04	Intergaard	6450	5/2	6	2.0	8.4	-
15B02	Lookout	5250	4/29	66	30.0	36.6	36.4
13C21	Lubrecht Forest No. 3	5450				3.4	3.6*
13C22	Lubrecht Forest No. 4	4650				0.0	0.6*
13C08	Lubrecht Forest No. 6	4040				0.0	0.1*
13C12	Red Lion	7100	4/28	35	11.6	26.2	19.6*
13C03	Skalkaho Summit	7260	4/27	52	19.5	38.4	26.7*
13C02	Slide Rock Mountain	7100	4/26	33	12.8	22.3	14.7*
13C18	Spring Gulch	6000	4/30	0	0.0	3.0	3.1*
13C07	Storm Lake	7780	4/28	36	11.2	20.8	17.0*
13C01	Stuart Mountain	7400	4/30	65	28.6	38.4	30.4*
14B01	TV Mountain	6800	5/1	41	17.6	23.2	20.3*
BITTERROOT RIVER							
13C16	Ambrose	6480	4/26	21	8.0	15.4	11.0*
13D02	Gibbons Pass	7100	4/28	30	12.8	29.2	23.1
14C05	Lolo Pass	5230	4/27	44	20.3	34.8	31.8*
14C07	Lost Horse	5940	4/29	47	19.0	37.3	34.1*
14D02	Nez Perce Camp	5680	4/27	17	4.2	15.7	9.7
14D01	Nez Perce Pass	6570	4/27	24	6.0	19.8	13.3
13D22	Saddle Mountain	7940	4/28	47	18.4	33.3	-
14C04	Savage Pass	6600	4/26	49	21.2	-	-
14C08	Twin Lakes	6510	4/29	68	29.4	52.2	46.6*

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	MISSOURI RIVER BASIN						
	BEAVERHEAD RIVER						
13B10	Bloody Dick	7600	4/25	13	4.6	15.2	-
13E22	Dad Creek Lake	8400	5/2	35	12.0	23.2	-
13D15	Elk Horn Springs	7800	4/28	16	4.9	15.1	8.4*
13D09	Gold Stone	8100	4/25	28	9.9	22.7	-
11E04	Lakeview Canyon	6930	4/27	26	9.7	19.2	9.5*
11E03	Lakeview Ridge	7400	4/27	21	7.6	16.7	7.3*
12E01	White Pine Ridge	8850	5/2	0	0.0	7.0	-
	RUBY RIVER						
11D08	Clover Meadow	8600	5/2	45	17.0	24.0	-
12E07	Divide	7900	5/2	18	6.4	14.7	-
12E06	Notch	8500	5/2	43	16.6	21.2	-
	BIG HOLE RIVER						
13D20	Abundance Lake	8800	5/2	38	14.8	32.2	-
13D19	Darkhorse Lake	8600	5/2	47	19.2	41.0	-
13D21	Foolhen	8280	5/2	30	11.7	27.3	-
13D08	Jahnke Creek	7340	4/25	6	1.8	10.0	-
	JEFFERSON RIVER						
12C07	Berry Meadow	7300	4/28	17	5.1	9.1	6.7*
12C09	Copper Mountain	7700	5/2	18	5.9	-	-
12D01	Pipestone Pass	7200	4/26	9	1.9	4.9	4.4*
	MADISON RIVER						
11E09	Big Springs	6500	4/29	21	9.2	21.0	-
11D07	Call Road	8050	5/2	32	11.1	15.9	-
11D12	Four Mile	6900	4/27	16	4.3	10.6	-
11E25	Freezeout Lake	7200	5/3	2	0.8	5.2	-
11E26	Freezeout Mountain	8250	5/3	31	12.2	24.4	-
11E05	Hebgen Dam	6550	4/29	3	1.0	10.8	4.8
11E10	Island Park	6315	4/29	9	2.9	11.9	-
11D05	Jack Creek	7500	4/26	3	0.4	-	-
11E22	Lake Creek	6100	5/3	0	0.0	1.3	-
11D11	Lower Twin	7900	4/27	56	19.4	31.2	-
11E23	Meridian Creek	7000	5/3	12	3.7	10.0	-
11D03	North Meadow	7500	4/27	30	8.4	-	-

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SNOW SURVEY DATA

AS OF MAY 1, 1966

(Inches)

SNOW COURSE			CURRENT DATA			PAST RECORD	
						WATER CONTENT	
NO.	NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
MADISON RIVER (continued)							
10E02	Norris Basin	7500	5/3	0	0.0	10.1	5.5*
11E21	Potomageton Park	7150	4/27	14	4.9	17.4	-
11E20	Sentinel Creek	8300	4/27	52	18.3	37.2	-
11E24	Tepee Creek	8000	5/3	37	11.5	21.2	-
11E27	Upper West Fork	8750	5/2	30	11.6	-	-
11E08	Valley View	6500	4/29	20	7.8	18.6	-
11E07	West Yellowstone	6700	4/30	4	1.4	11.5	5.6
GALLATIN RIVER							
10D14	Arch Falls	7350	4/30	34	11.6	16.8	12.0*
11D09	Bear Basin	8150	4/28	47	17.2	27.9	22.6*
10D15	Bridger Bowl Pillow	7250	4/30	SP	24.8	34.0	-
10D04	Devil's Slide	8100	4/30	63	22.2	32.0	24.9
10D03	Hood Meadow	6600	4/30	14	5.2	10.0	6.6
10D13	Lick Creek Pillow	6860	4/27	SP	6.8	9.4	-
11D10	Little Park	7400	4/28	38	13.0	19.0	16.0*
10D16	Shower Falls Pillow	8100	4/30	SP	25.4	-	-
11E06	Twenty-One Mile	7150	4/30	33	12.8	24.8	14.9
MISSOURI RIVER (Main Stem)							
11C01	Boulder Mountain	7950	4/26	57	18.0	23.4	16.1*
12C05	Chessman Reservoir	6200	4/27	9	0.6	2.2	2.9
10C09	Deadman Creek	6450	4/28	16	5.6	-	-
10C07	Elk Peak	8000	4/27	51	17.2	26.8	16.5*
10C02	Grasshopper	7000	4/27	12	4.2	7.4	-
10C01	Kings Hill	7500	4/28	42	12.4	18.4	13.8
12C01	Stemple Pass	6600	4/27	25	7.5	14.2	9.8
12C02	Ten Mile Lower	6600	4/27	8	1.8	6.8	4.1
12C03	Ten Mile Middle	6800	4/26	26	7.7	15.0	9.9
12C04	Ten Mile Upper	8000	4/26	32	10.1	21.0	14.2
SUN-TETON-MARIAS RIVERS							
13A15	Badger Pass	6900	5/2	75	37.1	49.8	-
12B06	Cabin Creek	5200	5/2	0	0.0	0.0	-
12B09	Five-Bull	5700	4/29	4	0.5	9.0	-
12A01	Freight Creek	6000	4/28	33	11.8	23.6	-
12B07	Goat Mountain	7000	4/30	29	9.2	15.9	10.3*
12B01	West Fork	6000	4/28	21	7.4	23.2	-
12B04	Wrong Creek	5700	5/2	17	9.1	14.1	-
12B03	Wrong Ridge	6800	5/2	37	18.3	30.9	-

SP - Snow Pillow Observation - Water Content only.

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SNOW COURSE			CURRENT DATA			PAST RECORD	
						WATER CONTENT	
NO.	NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
JUDITH RIVER							
9C02	Avalanche	7100	4/29	64	21.7	-	-
9C01	Crystal Lake	6100	4/29	27	9.2	-	-
9C03	Rock Creek	5600	4/29	15	5.1	-	-
10C06	Spur Park	8000	4/28	60	20.4	29.7	20.0*
ST. MARY RIVER							
13A18	Hudson Bay Divide	5800	5/2	41	17.5	22.9	-
13A03	Iceberg Lake No. 3	5600	5/4	52	28.3	34.8	29.6
13A14	Josephine Lower No. 9	4900	5/3	40	18.9	19.6	17.9*
13A07	Mount Allen No. 7	5700	5/3	97	47.8	45.6	49.2
13A06	Piegan Pass No. 6	5500	5/3	80	42.6	43.3	41.3
13A08	Ptarmigan No. 8	5800	5/4	70	36.1	46.8	40.3
UPPER YELLOWSTONE RIVER							
10C05	Bald Ridge	7500	4/29	28	10.0	18.0	-
9D01	Camp Senia	7890	5/2	25	7.6	10.8	9.3*
10E03	Canyon	7750	4/29	38	12.8	24.7	13.5*
9D07	Cooke Guard Station	8150	4/29	49	15.5	-	-
10E06	East Entrance	7000	5/3	0	0.0	2.7	3.6*
9D06	Fisher Creek	9100	4/29	95	36.5	-	-
9D05	Grizzly Peak	8400	4/29	71	21.6	23.8	18.2*
10D06	Independence	8000	4/25	33	12.9	27.0	17.7*
10E04	Lake Camp	7850	4/29	22	6.0	13.4	7.2*
9E01	Lodgepole	8200	4/28	25	7.6	12.1	10.7*
10E01	Lupine Creek	7300	5/3	10	3.4	8.2	7.7*
10D12	Monument Peak	9000	4/25	56	20.9	37.3	26.4*
10D07	Northeast Entrance	7400	5/2	8	3.2	10.2	6.2
10C03	Porcupine R. S.	6500	4/29	17	5.2	11.5	-
10D10	Sacajawea	6550	4/30	29	11.4	17.2	10.8*
10C08	South Fork Shields	8100	4/29	68	26.3	36.4	-
10E05	Sylvan Pass	7100	5/2	25	8.0	15.2	10.6*
9D04	Timberline Creek	8850	5/2	49	16.9	25.2	16.7*

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SOIL MOISTURE DATA

AS OF MAY 1, 1966

(Inches)

SOIL MOISTURE STATION			SOIL PROFILE		CURRENT DATA		PAST RECORD	
NO.	NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	FIELD CAPACITY	DATE OF SURVEY	SOIL MOISTURE	LAST YEAR	**AVERAGE
			COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN					
Kootenai								
15B15M	Baree Trail	3800	48	7.5			6.7	-
14A10M	Murphy Lake R.S.	3000	48	22.6	5/1	21.4	23.0	-
15A02M	Raven R.S.	3050	48	23.0			22.0	-
Flathead								
13A02M	Desert Mountain	5600	54	8.4	4/26	9.6	9.6	8.3
13A05M	Marias Pass	5250	54	6.5			6.4	6.0
Clark Fork								
13C13M	Black Pine	7100	48	10.0	4/27	5.5	-	-
13C15M	Georgetown Lake	6450	48	9.0	4/28	7.2	5.1	5.5
13B19M	Seeley Lake R.S.	4030	48	11.9	5/2	11.6	12.0	-
13C03M	Skalkaho Summit	7260	48	10.8	4/27	10.4	9.7	-
Bitterroot								
13D18M	Gibbons Pass	7100	48	7.1	4/28	6.2	7.2	6.8
14C05M	Lolo Pass	5250	48	10.6	4/29	7.4	9.4	-
			MISSOURI RIVER BASIN					
Beaverhead								
11E13M	Lakeview	6700	48	15.3	5/2	9.8	16.5	15.3
Madison								
10D04M	Red Bluff	4800	40	4.7	5/1	2.3	2.6	2.6
Gallatin								
10D15M	Bridger Bowl	7250	48	15.8	4/30	16.4	-	-
11D02M	College Site	4856	54	14.5	4/29	14.8	13.2	12.3
10D13M	Lick Creek	6860	48	18.8	4/30	19.0	-	-
11E06M	Twenty-One Mile	7150	48	10.0	4/28	3.4	3.6	-
Missouri Main Stem								
10C01M	Kings Hill	7420	48	11.8	4/28	8.8	7.8	-
12C08M	Stemple Pass	6350	48	5.9	4/29	5.4	5.4	-
Yellowstone								
10D11M	Battle Ridge	6020	48	17.6	4/29	15.2	16.6	15.4
10D07M	Northeast Entrance	7350	48	9.4			7.4	7.7

**AVERAGE FOR PERIOD OF RECORD

RESERVOIR STORAGE DATA

AS OF APRIL 30, 1966

(1000 Acre Feet)

BASIN	RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	USEABLE STORAGE THIS YEAR	USEABLE STORAGE LAST YEAR	USEABLE STORAGE AVERAGE
COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN					
Flathead	Hungry Horse	3,428.0	2,437.0	1,564.0	2,097.0**
	Flathead Lake	1,791.0	818.5	1,132.0	968.0
	Camas (Sum of 4)	45.2	35.4	29.7	38.1
	Mission Valley (Sum of 8)	100.3	71.8	51.0	45.1
Clark Fork	Georgetown Lake	31.0	21.6	22.0	21.2
	Noxon Rapids	334.6		170.1	-
Bitterroot	Como	34.9		24.5	17.9
	Painted Rocks	31.7	20.5	-	22.0**
MISSOURI RIVER BASIN					
Beaverhead	Clark Canyon	328.9	158.1	108.4	-
	Lima	84.0	61.8	77.3	48.3
Ruby	Ruby	38.8	36.9	-	31.7**
Madison	Hebgen Lake	377.5	266.8	198.8	174.8
	Ennis Lake	41.0	39.0	25.0	34.9
Gallatin	Middle Creek	8.0	3.3	4.1	4.6**
Missouri	Canyon Ferry	2,043.0	1,478.0	1,589.0	1,577.4**
	Hauser & Helena	61.9	62.4	58.4	49.9
	Lake Helena	10.4	10.7	9.2	6.6
	Holter Lake	81.9	78.1	69.0	61.8
	Smith River	10.7	10.8	11.4	8.1**
	Ackley Lake	5.8		-	3.6
	Durand	7.0	7.0	7.0	5.9
	Martinsdale	23.1	16.7	10.6	10.6
	Deadman's Basin	72.2	66.6	59.2	45.1**
	Fort Peck	19,410.0	16,700.0	15,950.0	11,128.6
Sun	Gibson	105.0	74.5	58.8	65.7
	Willow Creek	32.3	26.6	19.5	23.4
	Pishkun	32.0	24.7	16.8	22.5
Marias	Lower Two Medicine		-	-	1.4
	Four Horns	19.2		-	10.9
	Swift		-	-	26.7
	Lake Frances	112.0	98.9	-	96.0
	Tiber	1,347.0	707.9	836.6	656.3**
Milk	Fresno	127.2	128.1	134.9	108.1
	Nelson	66.8	58.9	40.3	39.8
	Lake Sherburne	66.1	25.9	29.1	24.8
Yellowstone	Mystic Lake	20.8	2.0	1.6	2.8
	Tongue River	68.0		-	20.0
	Cooney	27.5	22.6	11.2	15.0**
Big Horn	Boysen	700.3	330.2	231.6	156.9
	Buffalo Bill	373.1	238.0	117.3	135.2
	Bull Lake	151.7	84.3	44.5	51.5
	Yellowtail	1,409.0	363.3	-	-

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